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DECLASS REVIEW by NIMA/DOD

29 March 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

25X1A SUBJECT: Abbreviated Minutes of Meeting on 28 March 1962 to Determine the Future of [REDACTED]

1. Those present were:

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2. Results:

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a. [REDACTED] will write a memorandum to the Chief, TP&DS, recommending cancellation of [REDACTED], Task Order #1, "Functional Analysis and Design for a Minicard Aerial Photography Camera CP3A", [REDACTED]

b. [REDACTED] will, in DMD, cut 70 mm x 70 mm chips from duplicate positives of all COMOR targets. The chips will be placed in envelopes by target and made available to photo interpreters when they wish to examine previous coverage. Purpose: to determine the value of the chip idea for P.I. analysis by an actual pilot study.

3. Summary of Meeting:

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a. [REDACTED] stated the purpose of the meeting was to identify and evaluate the factors affecting the [REDACTED] proposal for a new Minicard camera and to decide whether to proceed with Phase II of the contract. A rough draft of the factors had been prepared and distributed prior to the meeting. [REDACTED] suggested these questions were involved:

(1) Is this to serve the P.I. analyst?

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- (a) Is it what he wants?
- (b) How will he use it?
- (c) Does he need it?
- (d) Is it only a search aid, as [REDACTED] implied?

(2) What quality is required?

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- (a) [REDACTED] proposes a camera system to maintain 125 l/mm.

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(b) [REDACTED] states 50% of resolution is lost in the Minicard duplicator.

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(c) [REDACTED] states 175 to 200 l/mm are planned for the future.

(3) What quantity should be put in the system?

- (a) every mission?
- (b) every frame?

(4) What other systems should be considered as alternatives?

- (a) Cost and capabilities of each.
- (b) Stereogram capability.

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b. [REDACTED] suggested that the answer to question one will best be obtained by presenting a pilot study or sample to the P.I. analysts and discovering just how and to what extent it is an aid. He suggested the COMOR list of 200 to 300 targets on some half of which we now have coverage. He offered to have his division go through T and KH duplicate positives and cut out 70 mm x 70 mm or 2 1/4" x 2 1/4" chips of each target and place them in envelopes identified by target. These would be made available to P.I. analysts when they requested information on previous coverage. After a trial period, they would be asked to evaluate the effectiveness of the method.

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c. [REDACTED] endorsed the idea, pointing out that this method gives maximum quality and thus centers attention on the basic technique. If proven valid, all the other questions can then be examined, but if invalid or marginal, all further effort would be eliminated.

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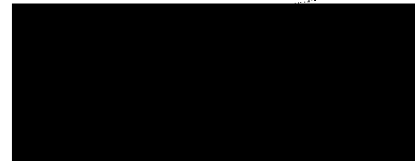
d. [REDACTED] to proceed with the trial and to write a memorandum to the Chief, TP&DS, recommending cancellation of [REDACTED] Task Order #1.

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4. Further information: [REDACTED] states that when stereo coverage is available, stereo pairs will be cut and that the size and cutting operation will be tailored to fit existing stereo viewers.

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